

## DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

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## NOISE WAIVER CERTIFICATE

ISSUED TO:	Dewberry c/o Sarah Purcell Owner/Operator			
Valid From:	09/11/2022	Valid To:	10/10/2022	
Type of Waiver:	Temporary			

## **Authorizing:**

After-hours construction by Washington Gas related to repair and replacement of natural gas transmission pipelines. The work locations are at Woodwell Terrace and Woodwell Road, and the wooded 5-acre parcel (District 13, Tax Account 0344433) east of Punch St., Aspen Hill. Washington Gas must maintain continuous construction operations from the time the gas pipe is cut until it is repaired. The work is expected to be completed in 48-72 hours weather permitting, and shall be performed under the following conditions:

- 1. All reasonable efforts should be made to perform the noisiest activities as early in evening as possible.
- 2. All machinery utilized at this job site shall be outfitted with OSHA approved white noise backup alarms. Approved non-tonal signaling methods may also be used.
- 3. Machinery shall be equipped with well-maintained and effective mufflers and moving parts shall be well lubricated to avoid unnecessary noise from squeaking parts. Machinery access doors and hatches should remain closed when the units are in operation and all machinery should be operated at the minimum level necessary to get the job done. Minimize banging, clattering, buzzing and other annoying types of noises.
- 4. Hauling trucks and equipment shall be operated at the minimum power level necessary to complete the task in a safe manner.
- 5. Slamming of tailgates and concrete chutes are prohibited.
- 6. Noise mitigation barriers should be erected around loud pieces of stationary machinery (e.g., generators, concrete pumps, etc.).
- 7. All onsite staff, including delivery and dump truck drivers, should be notified of noise mitigation procedures prior to work, and onsite communications shall be done without shouting.
- 8. Where possible, the local power grid should be used to reduce the use of internal combustion powered machinery.
- 9. Prolonged idling of machinery and vehicles must be avoided. If machinery or vehicles are not utilized for long periods, they should be shut off to reduce idling noise.
- 10. Regular communications must be provided to nearby residences, so they are aware of the work schedule and expected noise related to construction activities.
- 11. Noise levels should be monitored at regular intervals at sensitive nearby receptors. The decibel levels and locations of the monitoring sites should be kept in a log on site, which shall be available for inspection and review upon request.
- 12. A log must be maintained on site containing detailed information concerning any complaints received regarding noise from this construction project.
- 13. DEP may suspend or revoke this approval for any violation of the terms and conditions, and may make modifications to the terms and conditions based on the results of noise monitoring or the noise impact of certain activities. (Case 20222066)

(This certificate must be available at the work site)

Woodwell Terrace and Woodwell Road, and the wooded 5-acre parcel (District 13, Tax Account

**Location of Work:** 0344433) east of Punch St.

Town: Aspen Hill Zip: 20906

**Approved By:** Date: 09/08/22

Cc: Luisa Cardona, Mid-County Regional Services Center

Department of Environmental Protection

MC Police, 4th District, Wheaton Station

INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS CERTIFICATE CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY AND COMPLIANCE MONGOMERY COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION 2425 REEDIE DR. 4<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR, WHEATON, MARYLAND 20902 (240) 777-7746

https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/DEP/contact/noise-documents.html#waivers